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DIVISION OF OIL, GAS & MINING

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Rick White 9969 Beck Drive Santee, California 92071

Dear Mr. White,

Your plan-of-operation for operations on the Aragonite mill site has been received, however we are unable to process the plan at this time since you are not the claimant of record for the mill site. Decisions at the Utah Division of Oil, Gas and Mining Board Hearing on January 24, 1991 allow Mr. Lon Thomas to continue operating the Aragonite mine and mill site for thirty days during which time permitting and bonding of the operation on an interim basis is to be completed.

We are aware of the lawsuit between Mr. Thomas and yourself concerning the Aragonite mine and mill site. Should the lawsuit be resolved and you become the owner of record for the mill site claims, with clear indication that you are also the operator, processing of the plan can take place. If you have any questions, please contact Steve Brooks at 977-4371.

Sincerely,

Deane H. Zeller District Manager

cc: Holland Shephard